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Part B for July 15

SUBJECT.

Enquiry by the Tahsildar of Mallapuram re the state of feelings of the Mahomedans of Chowrayapet in January 1915

3) From Mr. Warburton D.O. 4624 of 2.7.15
Communicates the regret of the Madras Govt re the un-authorized enquiry conducted

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File No. 227-16

FILE HEADING.

Enquiry by the Tahsildar of Kollegal regarding the state of the feelings of the Mahomedans of Chamarajnagar in Jan 1915.

From

Mr. C. Srikantaiya Aiyar

No. 80 Dated 5-7-15 Received 15-7-15

Diary No.	Enclos. 2 Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards a memo of the Supdt. of Police, Mysore Dt., in the above matter

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Subd. with a draft in accordance with the 1st Members orders on the D.O

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3) Draft ng be put up 15/5/15

4) I am inclined to make the matter a little

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more explicit The draft is amended, and converted into a d.o letter to the Hon'ble the Resident

(To be submitted to H.H.)

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5) See d.o. draft may be typed in Sh. N. Put up in Dewan's office

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Submitted to His Highness.

Draft for approval

6) I submit herewith for His Highness's kind approval, the draft of a D.O. letter which it is proposed to issue to the Hon'ble the Resident regarding the enquiries conducted direct by the Tahsildar of Kollegal in the matter of the state of feeling of the Mahomedans of Chamarajnagar town in January last. This is a matter which should have been left to the Durbar to be enquired into.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Draft of a D.O. letter proposed to be sent to the Hon'ble the Resident, in the matter of certain enquiries conducted direct by the Tahsildar of Kollegal as regards the state of feeling of the Mahomedans of Chamrajanagar.

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Routine Notes.

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8) Fair copy for Dewan's signature

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D.o.

9) Draft- for letter to the address ~~the~~ HR (in the name of the Sec'y) appd by Dewan is placed on the file for perusal

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10) Draft typed by the Steno

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N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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	To
2	The J. A Resident. Do. Pro. Pol 1229 D/10.6.15
	Stating that the Durbar would have been glad to make whatever enquiries the Madras Govt. wanted if they had been requested to do so and requesting that the circumstances in which the Tahsildar made enquiries on Cuppa may be ascertained from the Madras Govt.
3	From Mr. Warburton. D.O. 4624 D/2-7-15
	Stating that it was not intended that the enquiries should relate to Cuppa territory & that the Madras Govt. regret the incident.
	11) Subd. for perusal.
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	12) First Member) May perhaps be submitted to His Highness
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Submitted to His Highness.

13) I submit for His Highness's information the file of papers ending with Mr. Warburton's D.O. letter No.4624 dated 2nd July 1915 communicating the regret of the Madras Government regarding the unauthorized inquiry conducted by the Tahsildar of Kollegal in Chamarajanagar in January last.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Papers ending with Mr. Warburton's letter communicating the regret of the Madras Government regarding the unauthorised enquiry conducted by the Tahsildar of Kollegal in Chamarajnagar in January last

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Office of the

Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

Camp Ingoor 5 Aug 1915

Dear Narasimha Rao

Some time ago I heard that Mr Thiedar of Kollegal had while on his tour passing characterizing, had certain casual enquiries about the local state of policing in Kollegal local enquiries to be made through the Superintendent of Ingoor & looked into the matter during which time that

Sub° for News perusal

The information is somewhat stale. The direct enquiry made by the British authorities into State affairs at Chamaraj nagar is worth open to exception

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The matter may be brought to the notice of the Resident The ~~Report~~ Report should have been given to us & and we shd have made the necessary investigation

Draft done 8/5

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Encl to Pol 227-14

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MEMO.

The Superintendent of Police, Coimbatore District while encamped at Thalavady (Gopichetty palyam Taluk) learnt that the Mahomedans of Chamarajnagar were reading newspapers and discussing war topics in a Lubbay cloth merchant's shop in Chamarajnagar Town and it was also said that the German Emperor had become a convert to the Islamic faith and that London would be in the hands of the Germans in 2 or 3 days The District Superintendent of Police of Coimbatore communicated this intelligence to the Collector who in his turn directed the Deputy Collector of Kollegal Mr. Nagasundaram Iyer to hold a confidential enquiry. The latter was indisposed and hence Mr. Nageswara Iyer the Tahashildar of Kollegal took up the enquiry, went to Chamarajnagar on the 10th January 1915, examined the Post Master Mr.Bhujanga Rao and his Assistant Gundu Rao and learnt from them what were the Hindustani or Urudu papers which were being subscribed or received by the mussulmans and saw the V.P. packets still lying in the Post Office as the addressees had not paid the money and taken the newspaper packets. He next went to the Chamarajnagar Hospital where he happened to meet the Police Inspector Venkatagiri Iyer, the Excise Assistant Inspector Narayan Rao and in the course of the conversation with these and the Hospital Assistant learnt that the Mussulmans were loyal. He halted for the day at the Kannikaparamsuvra temple where he enquired of the two Komaties, also the Khajee of the place,

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one Syed Mahomed the Head Master of the Hindustani School, Musa Raza Excise Sub Inspector, Ummar Sab a Hakim and Municipal Councillor, one S.L. Iyengar a native of Kollegal now employed as a writer in Mr Moorison's coffee estate and the Lubbay cloth merchant

From all these sources he learnt that there was no disloyalty whatever Before going back he again met the Post Master and told him that unnecessary fuss was made, that the mussulmans were loyal and left for Kollegal that very night.

It may be mentioned here, in passing, that when the officials started a reading room as a result of the teachings of the educational section of the Economic Conference, with a view to raise the importance of the merchant classes of the non-official body, a rival reading room was started, the life and soul of it being one Rama Krishna Jetty a Taluk official. He was subscribing for one or two papers and he began collecting subscriptions in the shape of one anna or two annas and it was he who used to read the news for the others either in the mornings or evenings.

The following is the gist of the report made by the Tahashildar of Kollegal to his Collector:-

That the Mahomedans are loyal, that they celebrated the coronation day with great eclat, that there is no Anjuman, the Mysore Government having taken up the education of Mahomedan boys that the representatives of the Allighar College are moving about Mysore visiting important places and telling the Mussulmans that this is no religious war and

and that the Mahomedans should not swerve from their line of loyalty, that he learnt from the Police Inspector that special police precaution had been taken by the Durbar to watch the loyalty of the Mussulmans and that special and confidential instructions had been issued to the police by the Government and that all was said in Thalavadi about the Chamarajnagar Mussulmans was false.

He has concluded his report by adding that as in all important places so in Chamarajnagar, there is always some one who tries to read between the lines and supply the missing news by drawing out from his imagination and that a certain Taluk official of Chamarajnagar was while reading out news from the paper or communicating the events making his commentaries by way of an explanation or what the next step was likely to be The Tahashildar did not know the name of this clerk or what (presumably Ramakrishna Jetty) has become of him since.

Evidently this kind of discussion on the part of Jetty should have been highly exaggerated and got into Talavadi.

The following are some of the papers which were being subscribed for some time ago.

Paper.	Place.	Subscriber.
1. Zamindar	Lahore	Khader Beig Alli Sab.
	V.P. charges Rs. 3-7-0 due.	
2. Humdrud	Delhi	Secretary Merchants Readin Room.
3. Shamsul Akbar	Madras	Since discontinue

4. Vakil	Amritsar	Since discontinued.
5. Curzon Gazette	Delhi	
6. Waltain	Lahore V.P. 4-3-0 due.	Forester Rymalulla
7. Pygamsula		Ummar Sab
8. Ahamady Ihayitesam	Lahore V.P.1-11-0 due.	Ummar Sab
9. Khutub	Delhi V.P. 2-9-0 due.	Khajee Hussein Khan Sab.

Note.- The Humdrud is the vernacular edition from the pen of Mahomed Ali the editor of Comrade.

The Tahashildar has also reported that these Mussulmans are so poor that they have not been able to pay and take up the packets from the post office though they are lying there for nearly a month.

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To

The First Assistant to
the Hon'ble the Resident

Dear Sir

I am directed to forward herewith for favour of such action as the Hon'ble the Resident may deem fit to take a Copy of memorandum of Supt of Police, Mysore Dt regarding certain Enquiries said to have been conducted direct by the Tashildar of Gubbigal as regards the State of feeling of the Mahammadans of Channarayapatna in January 1915. The Durbar would have been glad to make whatever Enquiries the Madras Govt ~~would have~~ was wanted if they had been requested to do so. The ~~Durbar~~ requests The Durbar will feel obliged if the Hon'ble the Resident will kindly ascertain from the Madras Govt the circumstances under which the action in question was taken by the Tashildar of Kollegal

Bb 9. 6. 15

Yours Sincerely
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Sec to H.E.H.

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D-O-No-4624-III

Confidential.

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Pol 27 of 3-7-15 — V a/h seen ans... 7/7 — 1st Sec'y said no further action was needed Mesn 8.27 3/7.

THE MYSORE RESIDENCY,

Bangalore, 2nd July 1915.

Dear Mr. Narasinga Rao

Please refer to your D.O. letter No. 1229 Pol., ~~dated the~~ 10th June 1915, forwarding a copy of a Memorandum by the Superintendent of Police, Mysore District, regarding certain enquiries which are said to have been conducted direct by the Tahsildar of Kollegal.

The Madras Government have informed Sir Hugh Daly that the Coimbatore Police reported to the District Magistrate that false rumours about the war, said to emanate from the Mysore village of Chamarajnagar, were current in the British village of Talavadi. The District Magistrate thereupon directed his Divisional Officer to make confidential enquiries about the circulation of the alleged rumours. He did not intend that the enquiries should extend outside his jurisdiction; but the Revenue Divisional Officer misunderstood his instructions and sent the Tahsildar to

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Chamrajnagar itself to make enquiries. The Madras Government agree that he should not have done this, and express their regret that this mistake should have happened.

Yours Sincerely

J.B.Wadsworth

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Offg. Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments,
Bangalore.